AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 46-53 and 65-74 without prejudice or disclaimer, add claims 75-81, and amend claims 38-40, 42-45, and 55-64 as follows:

- 1.-37. (Canceled).
- 38. (Currently Amended) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising: creating a plasma atmosphere in a plasma-generating area which is at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material containing comprising carbon;

introducing radicals generated <u>by decomposing a radical source in a radical-generating</u> area, which is disposed in the reaction chamber and is located outside the <u>plasma-generating area</u>, <u>plasma atmosphere</u> into the plasma atmosphere; and

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber.

- 39. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the radicals are introduced in a direction perpendicular to a surface of the base material generated by decomposing a radical source outside the reaction-chamber.
- 40. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[39]] 38, wherein the radicals are generated by applying microwaves, UHF waves, VHF waves, or RF waves to the radical source and/or bringing the radical source in contact with a hot metal catalyst.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 38, wherein the radicals include hydrogen radicals.
- 42. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[38]] 41, wherein the hydrogen radicals are generated by decomposing [[a]] the radical source containing hydrogen, and are then introduced into the plasma atmosphere, the radical source comprising hydrogen.
- 43. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the source material eontains further comprises earbon and hydrogen.

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- 44. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the source material further comprises contains carbon and fluorine.
- 45. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein at least one of [[the]] a feed rate of the source material, [[the]] a plasmatization degree of the source material, and [[the]] a feed rate of the radicals is controlled on the basis of the based on a concentration of carbon radicals, hydrogen radicals, or fluorine radicals in the reaction chamber.
- 46.-53. (Canceled).
- 54. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 38, wherein the base material has no metal catalyst disposed thereon.
- 55. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the source material contains at least one of carbon, further comprises hydrogen[[,]] and fluorine that are as essential components.
- (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 43, wherein the source material [[is]] comprises CH₄.
- 57. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 44, wherein the source material [[is]] comprises at least one compound selected from the group consisting of C₂F₆ and CF₄.
- (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 55, wherein the source material [[is]] comprises CHF₃.
- 59. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the source material is selected from the group consisting of:
 - a gas containing carbon and hydrogen;
 - a gas containing carbon and fluorine; and
 - a gas containing carbon, fluorine, and hydrogen, and

wherein the source material alternates between at least two of the gases are alternately switched in any one of during the [[steps]] growing of the carbon nanowalls.

- 60. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the introduced radicals include no OH radicals.
- 61. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein [[the]] an amount of the introduced radicals in the at least one region is measured, and

wherein at least one of [[the]] a feed rate of the source material and [[the]] a feed rate of the radicals is controlled on [[the]] a basis of the radical amount of the radicals.

- 62. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein properties of the carbon nanowalls are grown varied by varying [[the]] a ratio of [[the]] a feed rate of [[a]] the source material containing carbon and further comprising fluorine and that a feed rate of another the source material containing further comprising carbon and hydrogen.
- 63. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein the carbon nanowalls are oriented by tilting a line normal to the base material with respect to [[the]] a direction of an electric field.
- 64. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 38, further comprising:

 pretreating the base material by applying the radicals to the base material without plasmatizing the source material before the growth growing of the carbon nanowalls.
- 65. 74. (Canceled).
- 75. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material which comprises at least one compound selected from the group consisting of CH₄, CF₄, and CHF₃;

introducing radicals generated outside the plasma atmosphere into the plasma atmosphere; and

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber.

76. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material comprising at least carbon;

introducing radicals generated outside the plasma atmosphere into the plasma atmosphere; and

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber by varying a ratio of a feed rate of the source material further comprising fluorine to a feed rate of the source material further comprising hydrogen.

77. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material comprising carbon, hydrogen, and fluorine as essential components;

introducing radicals generated outside the plasma atmosphere into the plasma atmosphere; and

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber.

78. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material comprising carbon;

introducing radicals generated outside the plasma atmosphere into the plasma atmosphere; and

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber, wherein the source material is selected from the group consisting of:

- a gas containing carbon and hydrogen;
- a gas containing carbon and fluorine; and
- a gas containing carbon, fluorine, and hydrogen, and

wherein the source material alternates between at least two of the gases during the growing of the carbon nanowalls.

79. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material comprising carbon;

introducing hydrogen radicals into the plasma atmosphere, the hydrogen radicals not including OH radicals or O radicals and being generated outside the plasma atmosphere; and growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber.

80. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material comprising carbon;

introducing radicals generated outside the plasma atmosphere into the plasma atmosphere; and

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber,

wherein the carbon nanowalls are oriented by tilting a line normal to the base material with respect to a direction of an electric field.

81. (New) A method for producing carbon nanowalls, comprising:

creating a plasma atmosphere in at least one region of a reaction chamber by plasmatizing a source material comprising carbon;

introducing radicals generated outside the plasma atmosphere into the plasma atmosphere;

growing carbon nanowalls on a base material disposed in the reaction chamber; and pretreating the base material by applying the radicals to the base material without plasmatizing the source material before the growing of the carbon nanowalls.